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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Early Retirement Bill

1. This memorandum is for information.

2. I discussed with Mr. Amory the language in section 201 of the Senate version of the Early Retirement Bill, which requires approval of the rules and regulations by the Chairmen and ranking minority members of the Armed Services Committees of the House and Senate. He said this language in this form is as objectionable as it can be in principle to both the Bureau and the Attorney General and the latter considers language of this type unconstitutional. Therefore, there will be strong objection to the Bill with this language in it. He agrees that in our case it does not have much practical importance and that he will argue in our behalf on having the Bill go forward for Presidential approval. He cannot, however, commit the Bureau in this regard. He promised to keep closely in touch with me, and I told him that I knew that if the position of the Bureau was adverse the Director would want to take up the cudgels personally in behalf of the Bill. Mr. Amory said it was possible that an approach from the DCI to the President would be the only solution.

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